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Rep. Hintz Statement on Governor Walker's Special Session Plan

Governor's plan does nothing to directly address gun violence

MADISON – Assembly Democratic Leader Representative Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement on Governor Walker's plan to put one-time grant funding into school districts for building safety. The plan would be administered by the Department of Justice.

"Any plan to address school safety must start with keeping guns out of the hands of violent criminals. Governor Walker and legislative Republicans have repeatedly refused to take up the most common sense measure to accomplish this – require universal background checks on all gun purchases. It's no surprise that a Governor who has benefitted from \$3.5 million in donations from the NRA would put out a plan on school safety that does literally nothing to address the issue of gun violence.

"Across the state, administrators and teachers are desperate for resources for kids, not buildings. Wisconsin families deserve to know their children are safe at school. The fact that this plan is administered by the Department of Justice, led by a hyper-partisan Attorney General supportive of arming teachers, lays bare its politically-motivated intent."

In the most recent Marquette University poll, 81% of Wisconsinites support background checks on all gun purchases.

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